

Q. Cheap?—A. For mixing purposes.

Q. That would be high-test, which comes in duty free?—A. No, I think there was duty on it. I can establish that.

Q. Where do you get your gasoline for distribution in the city of Winnipeg; where does it come from?—A. It comes from the Sarnia plant, most of it from Regina.

Q. Some of it from Regina?—A. I think Regina moves as far as Winnipeg.

Q. How do you account for the fact that you charge about five cents more in Regina than in Winnipeg for gasoline? You sold gasoline in Winnipeg, I see here, on the first of September, 1931, at twenty three cents, and in Regina at 27.5 cents, a difference of four and a half cents?—A. Well, we are selling it too cheap in Winnipeg.

Q. Or too high in Regina?—A. Perhaps.

Q. Do you bring gasoline from Regina and sell it in Winnipeg?—A. If that large disparity in price exists, it means that it moves by water.

Q. Cheap haul?—A. Water haul from Sarnia.

The CHAIRMAN: This is only the first meeting of the committee, and there will be plenty of opportunity given to go into the details of the matter before us. Mr. McCloskey was to be here to-day, but he met with a bereavement and was unable to come. Mr. Ross came so that the committee would not be disappointed. I think you will all agree with me that he has been pretty generous to us. He came here without documents, papers or books of any kind, and it is my opinion that he has been very generous and very kind to the committee indeed. Since it is one o'clock, I would suggest that we adjourn.

*By Mr. Donnelly:*

Q. In referring to the price of gasoline in Regina as compared with the price in Winnipeg, the rail haulage from Fort William to Winnipeg is just about equal to the haulage from Regina to Winnipeg—A. There is not very much difference.

Mr. BOTHWELL: May I ask a question.

The CHAIRMAN: If we start opening this again it will go on for a long time.

Mr. VALLANCE: I would suggest we adjourn.

The CHAIRMAN: Owing to the circumstances in Mr. McCloskey's case, will you leave it to me as to our next meeting, or shall we determine now when we shall meet?

Mr. VALLANCE: At the call of the chair.

The CHAIRMAN: I am very anxious to get on with the inquiry, and a meeting will be called at the earliest possible moment, I can assure you of that.

Now, is it wise that we should ask that this committee should be permitted to sit while the house is in session?

Hon. Mr. RALSTON: Perhaps we had better wait another week.

Committee adjourned.